

Maine Commission on Indigent Legal Services
Chapter 3: Eligibility Requirements for Specialized Case Types

Application for Serious Violent Felony Assignments

Attorney's Name:

Bar Number:

1. Do you have at least two years of criminal law experience?

Yes _____ How many? _____ years _____ months

or

No _____ How many? _____ years _____ months

If your answer to (1) is no, are you requesting a waiver from this requirement? _____.

If you are requesting a waiver please provide information explaining the need for a waiver and your experience and qualifications to provide representation for individuals charged with a Serious Violent Felony despite your lack of the required years of criminal law experience. (Please attach additional sheets with answer as needed).

2. Have you tried before a judge or jury as first chair at least four criminal or civil cases in the last ten years?

Yes _____ No _____ How many? _____

- A. Were at least two of these cases tried before a jury?

Yes _____ No _____ How many? _____

Name the Court and approximate date(s) for at least two of the jury cases?

- B. Were at least two of these cases criminal trials?

Yes _____ No _____ How many? _____

Name the most serious charge of these criminal cases?

If your answer to any part of question #2 is No, are you requesting a waiver from this requirement?
_____.

If you are requesting a waiver please provide information explaining the need for a waiver and your experience and qualifications to provide representation for individuals charged with a Serious Violent Felony despite your lack of required trial experience. (Please attach additional sheets with answer as needed).

3. Please outline your reasons for interest in and qualifications for representing individuals charged with a Serious Violent Felony. (Please attach additional sheets with answer if needed).

4. Provide the names of three attorneys with whom you do not practice who will be submitting letters of reference directly to MCILS that describe your qualifications to represent individuals charged with a Serious Violent Felony. Please note if your references have already sent in the needed references to MCILS during the filing of other panel applications still provide their names and note that reference was previously submitted.

a. _____

b. _____

c. _____

Signature of Applicant Attorney

Date